

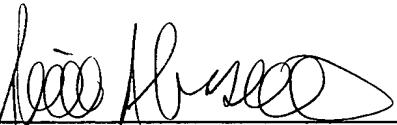
**REMARKS**

Applicants submit that the presently pending claims are in complete condition for allowance. Should any issues arise during a search of the prior art, however, then the Examiner is invited and encouraged to telephone the undersigned at his or her convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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